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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing as a concerned citizen, and as a computer science major to express my feelings about the settlement reached between the United States Department of Justice and Microsoft. Like many others out there, I do not think that the settlement reached goes nearly far enough to punish Microsoft for it's illegal actions. Also, the settlement does not give anyone any real power to prevent any further antitrust issues from arising.

Microsoft was found guilty of numerous violations of antitrust law, and they are walking away pretty much unscathed. It feels like the US DOJ doesn't have the stamina to fight against a huge corporation, and therefore took the easy way out. This is not right. It is the government's job to find a remedy that is in the best interest of the citizens of the United States of America. We are the ones who were injured by Microsoft's anticompetitive actions, and we want to make sure that will never happen again.

Thank you for your time, and I hope that this joke of a settlement is never agreed upon.

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